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Applicants: Jean-Pierre YQUEL, et al.
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For: VARIABLE-FLOW TILT VALVE AND CONTAINER
FITTED WITH SUCH A VALVE
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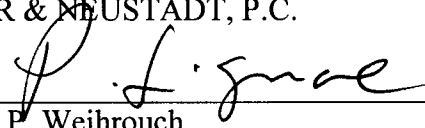
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